

**INVESTIGATIVE REPORT:**

This report pertains to an investigation of the identification of the burial location, or headstone markings, of a member of the Canadian Expeditionary Force (CEF) during the Great War 1914-1921.

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**Report Date:** 21 October 2016

**Reason for Submission:** ("X" means purpose of the report)

<b>Casualty Identification:</b>		<b>Burial Information:</b>	
Confirmed Identity	X	Burial Location Identified	X
Most Probable Identity		Grave Stone Correction	
Questionable Identity		Grave Records Correction	
Incorrect Identity		Request for CWGC Details	
Other		Other	

**Supporting Documents:** (# refers to attachment number; "I" information provided)

<b>Casualty Identification:</b>		<b>Burial Information:</b>	
Johnston, Albert Edward	i	Tyne Cot Cemetery	<a href="#">link</a>
1 <sup>st</sup> CMMG Brigade, CMGC	i	West-Vlaanderen, Belgium	i
Corporal #795	i	Plot 17 Row A Grave 10	i
Date of Death 30-10-1917	<a href="#">link</a>	Date of Burial / Exhumation	i
Attestation Papers	<a href="#">link</a>	Cemetery Schematic	<a href="#">link</a>
Service Record	<a href="#">link</a>	Graves Registration Report	7
Circumstance of Death	1	Concentration of Grave	8
CEF Canada Register	2	Headstone Register	9
War Diary Extract(s)	3	Casualty Spreadsheet	
Area Map(s)	4	Trench Map Exhumation	10
Trench Map(s)		Grave Stone Photograph	
Possible Candidates List	5	Grave Stone Inscription	
Excluded Candidates List	6	Memorial Inscription/Photo	11
Other		Reporting and Review	12

**Summary of Findings:**

The *Graves Registration Report Form* (GRRF) for Plot 17 Row A Grave 10 at the Tyne Cot Cemetery lists an "Unknown British Soldier" (UBS). The *Concentration of Graves* (COG-BR) shows that the UBS is actually a Canadian Soldier, identified by the Graves Registration Unit as a member of the Eaton's Motor Machine Gun Battery. The only Eaton's gunner missing for this place and time, thus on the Menin Gate Memorial, is Corporal Albert Edward Johnston #795.

## Details of Findings:

The findings are conclusive that the remains in Plot 17 Row A Grave 10 are those of Corporal Albert Edward Johnston #795, an original member of the Eaton's Motor Machine Gun Battery that was serving with the 1<sup>st</sup> Motor Machine Gun Brigade, Canadian Machine Gun Corps. The unit was in action in the attack on the Village of Passchendaele in October and November 1917.

The findings are based on the following:

1. The *Circumstance of Death* record for Private Johnston states that he was killed in action while attending to a wounded comrade, during an attack at Passchendaele. He was instantly killed by shell fire (Attachment #1). The record shows that the reported location of his grave was at trench map coordinates **28.D.16.b.75.45**.
2. The *E-13 War Graves Register* is stamped "MENIN GATE MEMORIAL" indicating that the grave of Corporal Johnston was never knowingly located, or if located, the remains were not identifiable by name (Attachment #2). As such, Corporal Johnston has remained as a Canadian Soldier of the Great War with no known grave for almost 100 years.
3. The *War Diary of the Eaton Motor Machine Gun Battery* indicates that on 30 October 1917 the unit was in action in the trenches at the Battle of Passchendaele (Attachment #3a). The guns were in position at approximately **28.D.9.b.8.2** (Attachment #3b). At the same time, an ammunition party was sent out to search for S.A.A. (Small Arms Ammunition). The search party was heavily shelled on its third trip, killing Corporal Johnson #794 (not Johnston #795) and Private Boffin #12829. Nine (9) others were wounded. A summary report on the actions for that date are found in the *War Diary of the 1<sup>st</sup> Canadian Motor Machine Gun Brigade*, dated 1 November 1917, noting that casualties were cleared to the dressing station (Attachment #3c). This was located, where the men also took shelter, at the Waterloo Farm **28.D.9.d.9.9** (Attachment #3d). The *Eaton Motor Machine Gun Battery* relieved the 1<sup>st</sup> Motors "B" Battery on 30 November 1917 at that location (Attachment #3e).
4. The area where the 1<sup>st</sup> Motor Machine Gun Brigade was serving and the remains were recovered is depicted on an extract of Nicholson Map 9 for Passchendaele (Attachment #4). The unit was behind the main force approaching the target, as it was providing "barrage fire", similar to what would occur with an artillery unit. The road from Gravenstafel to Mosselmarkt was a major transportation route during the battle, for the delivery of men and supplies and the extraction of the casualties.
5. The CWGC site shows that the casualties for the unit in question are filed under two categories (Attachment #5), namely the 1<sup>st</sup> Motor Machine Gun Bde (MMGB) and the *Eaton's Motor Machine Gun Battery* (EATONS). There is a direct link between the two units that explains the confusion. Historically the 1<sup>st</sup> Canadian Motor Machine Gun Brigade was known as the "Brutinel Brigade" or

*“Automobile Machine Gun Brigade”*, as organized in August 1914. Brutinel’s unit arrived in France on 17 June 1915 and was attached to the 1<sup>st</sup> Canadian Division, at which time it was redesignated as the *1<sup>st</sup> Canadian Motor Machine Gun Brigade*. The *Eaton Machine Gun Battery* was initially organized as a separate unit, comparable to the original *Brutinel Brigade*, each funded by the named man. The Eaton unit was “brigaded” with the *1<sup>st</sup> Canadian Machine Gun Brigade* and *Borden’s Motor Machine Gun Battery* on 12 July 1916 (Reference: [Thematic Guides – Units of the Canadian Expeditionary Force](#)).

The means by which the casualties are listed on the CWGC site result in some confusion. This would be similar to a casualty in the *15<sup>th</sup> Infantry Battalion* being listed instead as a casualty of the *3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Brigade* or even a casualty of the 1<sup>st</sup> Canadian Division.

If you conduct a Casualty Search on the CWGC web site (**REGIMENT** = Canadian Machine Gun Corps; **UNIT** = 1<sup>st</sup> Motor Machine Gun Bde), there are five (5) men listed as killed in the vicinity of Passchendaele from 1 October 1917 to 15 November 1917. Three (3) of these casualties are listed on the Menin Gate Memorial ([Sutterby](#), [Johnston](#) and [Merritt](#)). If you revise the search (**REGIMENT** = Canadian Machine Gun Corps; **UNIT** = Eaton Machine Gun Bty.) the site returns six (6) men killed in the same period, all of which are identified as having a KNOWN GRAVE. The immediate question is then “*How can there be an Unknown EATON if they are all accounted for on the CWGC list?*”

The answer to that question is, Corporal Johnston #795 listed on the 1<sup>st</sup> MMGB list is also an original EATON serving with the unit. This information was confirmed through a review of his [Attestation Papers](#), [Service Record](#) and the [Nominal Roll of the Eaton Machine Gun Battery](#). Johnston’s *Casualty Form – Active Service* confuses the issue further as it incorrectly lists his Regiment or Corps as the *Eaton Machine Gun Brigade*. His pay records refer correctly to *Eaton Machine Gun Battery* until his death on 30 November 1917.

6. To ensure that there were no other possible candidates; we checked the details of all of the men that were on the Menin Gate Memorial that may have been named to the located remains. This included Officers that were not identified by unit on the CWGC web site and the others with no known grave from the lists above (Attachment #6). The details of each of these men were checked with reference to the unit in which they served (past and present) and the location of their death or burial. From this exercise we determine that:
  - a. One (1) member of the 1<sup>st</sup> Motor Machine Gun Brigade had been missed in the initial search because the CWGC has him listed with **REGIMENT** = Canadian Machine Gun Corps and **UNIT** = *1<sup>st</sup> Canadian Machine Gun Brigade*. In the prior list the search was based on **UNIT** = *1<sup>st</sup> Canadian Machine Gun Bde*. That is the only entry, of that form, on the CWGC database for the entire period of the war and probably should be changed. The gunner in question here was [Pte. Hansel #796158](#), who had never been an “EATON” and was thus excluded.

- b. One (1) member of the EATON's was missed in the initial search for a similar reason. [Lance Corporal Maxwell #823](#), although known to be buried in the Tyne Cot Cemetery, was missed because he was listed as UNIT = *Eaton's Motor Machine Gun Battery*. The other six (6) appear with the UNIT = *Eaton Bty* or *Eaton Motor Machine Gun Bty*. As with the case of our UNKNOWN candidate, Maxwell was initially listed as a UBS (COG-BR [2155430](#)) and later changed to a KNOWN EATON (COG-BR [2155453](#)).
- c. Two (2) Officers ([Lt. H. M. McKenzie, V.C.](#) and [Lt. J. G. Laing](#)) were on list of candidates because the CWGC database did not detail their unit affiliation. Lt. Laing was immediately excluded, as he was with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Machine Gun Company and had initially been in an Infantry Battalion as a member of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. Lt. McKenzie became a consideration for the UNKNOWN, even though he was listed as serving with the 7<sup>th</sup> Machine Gun Company, as his attestation file showed an original EATON service number #673. After review it was determined to be an anomaly as there were nine (9) Canadians using that number in the Great War ([link](#)). [Corporal Charles Strachan #673](#) was an EATON, however he survived the war, as did all the men with the #673 identifier.

In total there were thirteen (13) candidates included in this evaluation. Seven (7) were excluded because they had a KNOWN grave. Of the six (6) remaining, the two (2) Lieutenants were excluded. Of the remaining four (4) "Other Ranks", three (3) were excluded as they had no affiliation with the *Eaton Motor Machine Gun Battery* during their career. The end result of that part of the evaluation was that Corporal Albert Edward Johnston #795 is the only candidate that was an EATON, was killed in the area of Passchendaele and is listed on the Menin Gate Memorial.

7. An examination of the *Graves Registration Report Form* (GRRF) would not immediately raise any question during a search for unknown Canadian soldiers, as it lists the remains in that grave to be those of an "UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER" (Attachment #7). This is one of many reports where the term "British" was used to encapsulate soldiers of the Commonwealth, particularly where there was question about the unit. As previously noted, Lance Corporal Maxwell (see 6.b above) was also listed as an UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER and was later corrected. Maxwell's record was corrected from the time of the COG-BR to the GRRF, whereas Johnston's was not.
8. The *Concentration of Graves (Exhumations and Reburials) Burial Return* (COG-BR) lists the remains in 17.A.10 as those of an UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER of the *Eaton's Cdn. Bty* (Attachment #8). He was identified as such by means of a Graves Registration Unit cross. We know from the trench map coordinates provided that he was recovered from the vicinity of the Waterloo Farm (Canadian) Cemetery, which was concentrated into Tyne Cot Cemetery. The Waterloo Farm Cemetery is referenced as the "Regimental Cemetery" of the Canadian Machine Gun Corps on many of the documents. Remains recovered

would have been taken there, prior to reburial at the Tyne Cot Cemetery after the Armistice. The review of the war diaries (see 3c and 3d above) confirms the location and use of the Waterloo Farm.

9. The *Comprehensive Report of Headstone Inscriptions* does not provide any indication as to the identity of the remains in 17.A.10, as there is no entry (Attachment #9). It is unknown at this time exactly what is inscribed on that headstone in the cemetery.
10. We have provided a Trench Map of the Exhumation Areas to show where the remains were initially reported to have been found and where they were concentrated into Waterloo Farm (Canadian) Cemetery, prior to the final move to Tyne Cot Cemetery (Attachment #10). The CWGC reports as follows:

*WATERLOO FARM CEMETERY, PASSCHENDAELE, 650 metres North-East of 's Gravenstafel, containing the graves of ten soldiers from Canada, seven from the United Kingdom and two from New Zealand, who fell in 1917-18.*

There is some question as to the accuracy of this statement, as we have identified a number of additional sets of remains that were exhumed from the cemetery and moved to Tyne Cot (see [Waterloo Farm \(Canadian\) Cemetery, Passchendaele](#)). We know that EATON'S men Boffin #12829 and Maxwell #823 were known recovered from there, marked as 28.D.9.d.8.8. Many of the records show that remains were moved more than once prior to arriving at the Tyne Cot Cemetery. To add to the confusion, the location of Waterloo Farm (Canadian) Cemetery has different grid coordinates. There are: 28.D.9.d.5.7 and 28.D.9.d.9.9. Looking at the period trench map, I would agree that the farm is at the d.9.9 location on the north side of the road from Gravenstafel to Mosselmarkt. Some COD files (i.e. Johnson #794) report Tyne Cot British Cemetery as located at 28.D.9.d.50.70, exhumed from Waterloo Canadian Cemetery at 28.D.9.d.9.9. It would appear that there was considerable confusion as to where remains were found, buried and then later concentrated.

11. The remains that were recovered and concentrated into 17.A.10 had not previously been identified as those of Corporal A. E. Johnston #795 of the Eaton Motor Machine Gun Battery, 1<sup>st</sup> Canadian Machine Gun Company, Canadian Machine Gun Corps. As such his name remains inscribed on the Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial (Attachment #12).

#### **Action Required:**

The "Investigative Report" has been prepared in accordance with the procedures and criteria set out by the CWGC, should they wish to make any changes to the commemoration details (Attachment #12).

Corporal Albert Edward Johnston #795 is clearly the only member of the *Eaton's Motor Machine Gun Battery* that was killed, where the remains were recovered, in the area of Passchendaele.



# ATTACHMENT #1

Ancestry.com. *Canada, War Graves Registers (Circumstances of Casualty), 1914-1948* [[database on-line](#)]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2010. Original data: [War Graves Registry: Circumstances of Death Records](#). Record Group 150, 1992-1993/314, Boxes 145-238. Library and Archives Canada. Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. War Graves Ledger Books. RG 150, 1992-93/314, vols. 239-302. Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

1. REG.	2. RANK OR RATING	3. SURNAME	4. CHRISTIAN NAMES
795.	Corporal,	JOHNSTON, (M.M. and BAR.)	Albert Edward,
5. UNIT OR SHIP	6. DATE OF CASUALTY	7. H.Q. FILE NO.	8. RELIGION
1st Canadian Motor Machine Gun Brigade.	30-10-17.	642-J-5475.	Congregationalist.
9. CIRCUMSTANCES OF CASUALTY		10. NAME, RELATIONSHIP AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN	
<p>"Killed in Action."</p> <p>While attending to a wounded comrade, during an attack at Passchendaele, he was instantly killed by shell fire.</p>			
11. LOCATION OF UNIT AT TIME OF CASUALTY			
NOTE: Items 11, 12 and 13 are not to be completed until grave is permanently located.			
12. CEMETERY	13. LOCATION OF CEMETERY	14. GRAVE LOCATION	15. REGISTERED NO. OF GRAVE
		Grave.....	
		Plot.....	
		Row.....	
16. PHOTOGRAPH OF GRAVE TAKEN	17. EXPOSURE NO.	18. PHOTOGRAPH OF GRAVE AND CEMETERY SUPPLIED TO	
19. REMARKS			

20. REPORTED LOCATION OF GRAVE Sheet 26.D.16.b.75.45.

21. REMARKS

## ATTACHMENT #2

Ancestry.com. Canada, CEF Commonwealth War Graves Registers, 1914-1919 [[database on-line](#)].  
 Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2010. Original data: [War Graves Registry: Circumstances of Death Records](#); (RG150, 1992-1993/314, Boxes 39-144); Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa, Ontario.

FORM B13  
1359-5M-8-9-17

NUMBER 795 RANK Cpl. NAME JOHNSTON, A.E. (M.M.) of Bar with H.R. 24-23  
 UNIT M.G. Corps (MMGB) NEXT-OF-KIN 974  
 FILE NO. R.L. 25-1191

DATE OF DEATH	CAUSE AND PLACE OF DEATH	CAS. SHEET NO.
30-10-17.	Killed in Action.	A.62.

DATE OF BURIAL	PLACE OF BURIAL	DESCRIPTION OF GRAVE
X	Man Loc. 8th 28, 2, 16. B. 75, 465	Clutch X 955

WAR GRAVES  
COMMONWEALTH

# ATTACHMENT #3a

Library and Archives Canada: War Diaries of the First World War. Available as (1) [ArchivaNet: On-Line Research Tool](http://www.archivnet.on-line.ca/), or (2) [War Diaries of the First World War](http://www.war-diaries.ca/).  
<http://data2.collectionscanada.ca/e/e048/e001196693.jpg>

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. (These headings not required.)		Summary of Events and Information		Remarks and References to Appendices
Date	Hour			
24		Training in camp. In accordance with orders received from O.C. 1st C.M.M.G. Bde. Lt. J. H. Brunear became temporarily attached to "B" Battery, 1st C.M.M.G. Bde. for duty. A Company of 25 O.R.s attached from Canadian Light Horse.		83
25		Operation Order No. 133, O.C. 1st C.M.M.G. Bde. was received. This contained orders for the coming operations of the Corps Machine Guns.		app. 4
26		Training in camp. 1st C.M.M.G. Bde. and 1st C.M.M.G. Bde. Brigade Battery, supplying all guards, anti-aircraft guard, fatigues and fire support.		
27		Training in camp. Lt. J. H. O'Reilly returns from Corps Training School PERNES, on completion of course of instruction.		
28		Brigade Battery, supplying guards, anti-aircraft guard, fatigues, and fire support.		
29		Training in camp. In accordance with orders received from O.C. 1st C.M.M.G. Bde. Lt. J. H. O'Reilly became temporarily attached to "B" Battery, 1st C.M.M.G. Bde. for duty. Word was received that Lt. J. H. Brunear was wounded in action, and evacuated.		app. 5
30		In accordance with Operation Order No. 135 of 30.10.17, by O.C. 1st C.M.M.G. Bde. the 1st C.M.M.G. Bde. proceeded to trenches with 8 guns. Lt. J. H. O'Reilly was sent out to search for 5.9.8. This party was heavily shelled on its third trip, inflicting casualties as follows: 2 killed, 9 wounded. (names of killed 1st Cpl. J. Johnson, 1st Cpl. A. S. Boffin.)		



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WAR DIARY  
OF  
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

(Erase heading not required.)

Instructions regarding War Diaries and Intelligence Summaries are contained in F. A. Regs., Part II, and the Staff Manual respectively. Table pages will be prepared in manuscript.

### Summary of Events and Information

### Remarks and References to Appendices

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information
	30.		The gun positions were approximately at D. 9. k. 8. 2, Sheet 28. BELGIUM. 1918.
	31.		The 5.05 signal was seen at 5.00 am. All guns immediately opened fire at rapid rate, slowing down and finally ceasing shortly afterwards. The O.C. Battery, Capt. G. J. Scroggie, was wounded by shrapnel at 11.45 am. Lieut. P. A. Green then assumed command. Enemy shelled gun positions heavily at irregular intervals, killing 2 men and wounding 3 others. Nagles of men killed 2803 Pls. 39 Sheridan, 252857 Pls. G. J. Rigg. S.O.S. Signal was again seen at 5.35 pm. All guns opened fire at rapid rate, then slowing down and finally ceasing at 6.15 pm. Ammunition expended 28,000 rounds. Numerous stoppages were caused by defective "R.L." and "J" brands of ammunition. 18 <sup>th</sup> Battery, 104. C.M. 17 G. Bde. having returned to camp. Lieut. J. J. O'Rielly reported back to unit and assumed command vice Capt. G. J. Scroggie, wounded. <del>Not</del>
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*Not O'Rielly Lieut*  
 Comdg. Eastern Motor Machine Gun Battery.

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*Goodrich* Lieut.  
 Comd. Easton Motor Machine Gun Battery.

Agents: Wm. Wundtgen & Sons, Inc., D. D. & L., Ltd., Formosa Castiglia.

# ATTACHMENT #3c



*Appendix 1*  
November 1st 1917.

IN THE FIELD.

To: C.O., 1st C.M. M.G. Bde.

Sir :-

I beg to report in accordance with Operation Order No. 134 dated 27-10-17 "B" Battery 1st C.M.M.G. Bde moved into the line and relieved the Yukon M.M.G. Battery at D.15.b.4.8. at 4.30 p.m. October 28th.

Lieut. Bruneau and Sgt Waghorn went forward with Capt. Harkness and located new positions in D.10.a.6.8.

Lieut. Black reported to Group Commander Capt Hartley at "KORAK".

Lieut. Bruneau went to forward positions with working party taking S.A.A. Four men of the C.L.H were hit and taken to dressing station.

Orders for move came at 6.30 p.m. Battery moved forward great difficulty experienced owing to marsh land in Valley considerable S.A.A and equipment being lost through falling in deep water. All guns were in position by 10 p.m. and laid on old S.O.S. Enemy continued to shell new positions; searching all territory that we could have been occupied. At 10.30 p.m. Lieut Bruneau was wounded. Ptes Hegan and Sutterby were killed. Ptes Stanley Stiner and Clark wounded a few minutes later. All wounded were cleared to dressing station.

Telephone communication was established with "Group" this communication was kept up until Zero hour. Owing to enemy fire during the night the three right guns were moved to the left flank and two reset. No crew available for third gun.

Ammunition Dump was searched for S.A.A. but none could be found. A party went back under Sgt Derward to old Yukon position for S.A.A. This party consisted of twenty. They had seven men wounded and were obliged to clear to dressing station. Col. Hitchings went back with a second party and brought up 15,000 rounds.

As per order from Capt Hartley (Group Commander) fire was brought to bear on new S.O.S. D.6.d.5.4. 2.8 to V.30.C.56.26 at 5.50 a.m. to 7.50 a.m. 21,000 rounds were fired. It was impossible to ~~max~~ clean guns owing to debris from shell fire.

Enemy shelled positions from Zero hour until 3.30 p.m. continual having direct observation making it impossible to move.

Battery suffered nine casualties during the day. These being cleared to dressing station.

At four p.m. Lieut. Black with Lieut. Searle of the 9th M.G. Co went to "KORAK". Capt Hartley ordered new positions located in D.10.b.2.2 and that four guns made up from 9th C.M.G. Co and "B"

## ATTACHMENT #3d

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At this time Lieut. O'Reilly and S.M. Smith arrived with 9 reinforcements and 16 C.L.H. packers, these went forward and brought back guns, tripods, etc.

This party reported two casualties en thway in having to go through enemy barrage.

The remainder of original crews were ordered to take shelter at WATERLOO farm. Lieut. O'Reilly and S. M. Smith constructed four gun positions with their men as the 9th M.G.C could not be found.

Lieut. Black took four guns back to Mile House, had these guns cleaned and repaired, these were sent forward to established positions. Lieut. Black remained at Mile House under orders from Group Commander.

Lieut. Black was ordered to report to Camp with remainder of battery as they had been relieved by the 5th M.M.G. Battery.

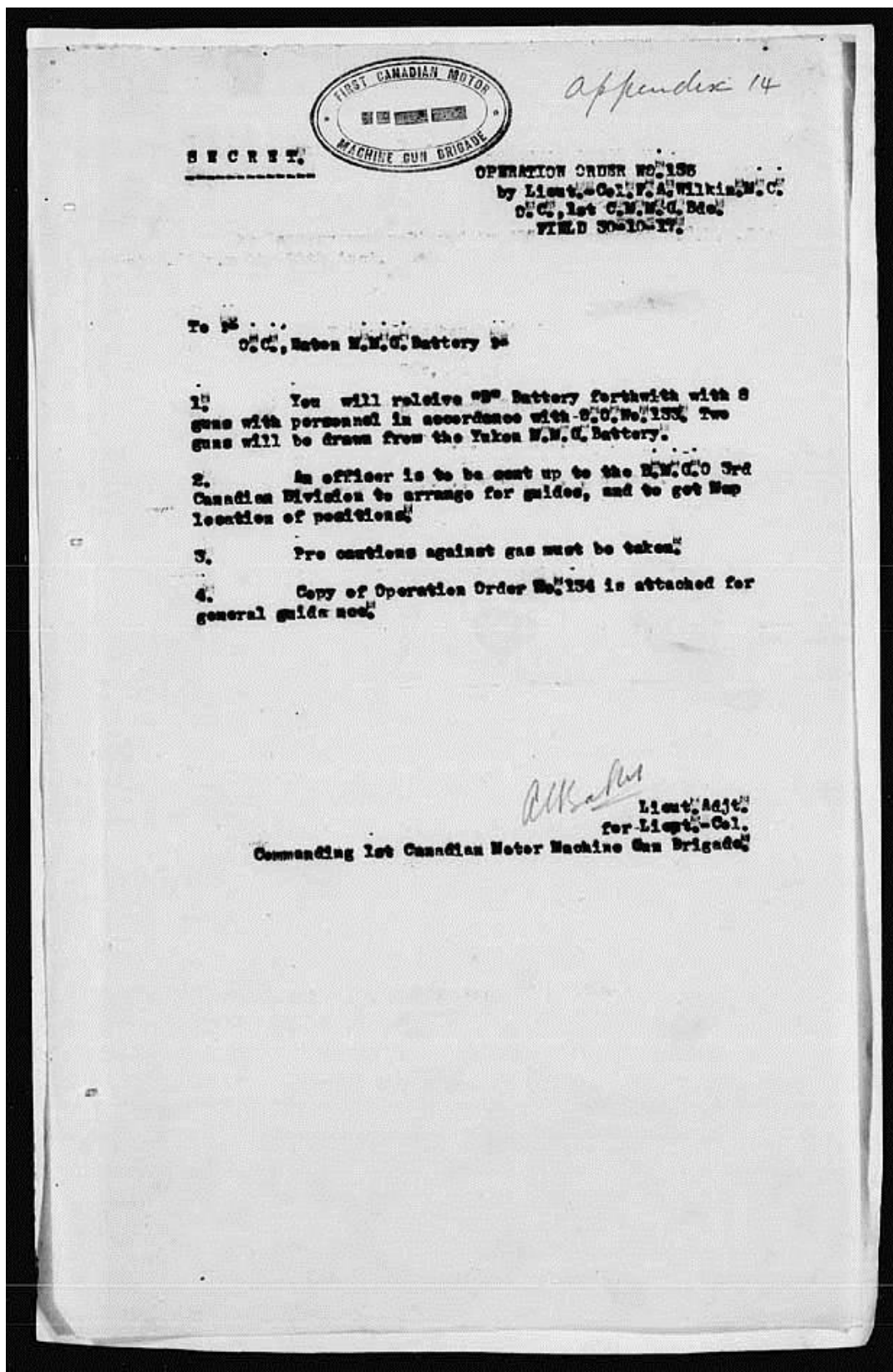
Lieut. O'Reilly and S.M. Smith remained with four guns until relieved by the 15th M.G.C. to whom they handed over four guns complete. Lieut. Black with Battery reported to York Camp at 2.30 p.m.

All ranks in "B" Battery worked exceedingly well throughout entire operation under conditions which were undiscussable.

After Lieut. Bureau was wounded Sgt. Waghorn took over the work of this officer and was of the greatest assistance.

(Sgd). W. Black. Lieut.  
C.C., "B" Battery.  
1st C.M.M.G. Bde.

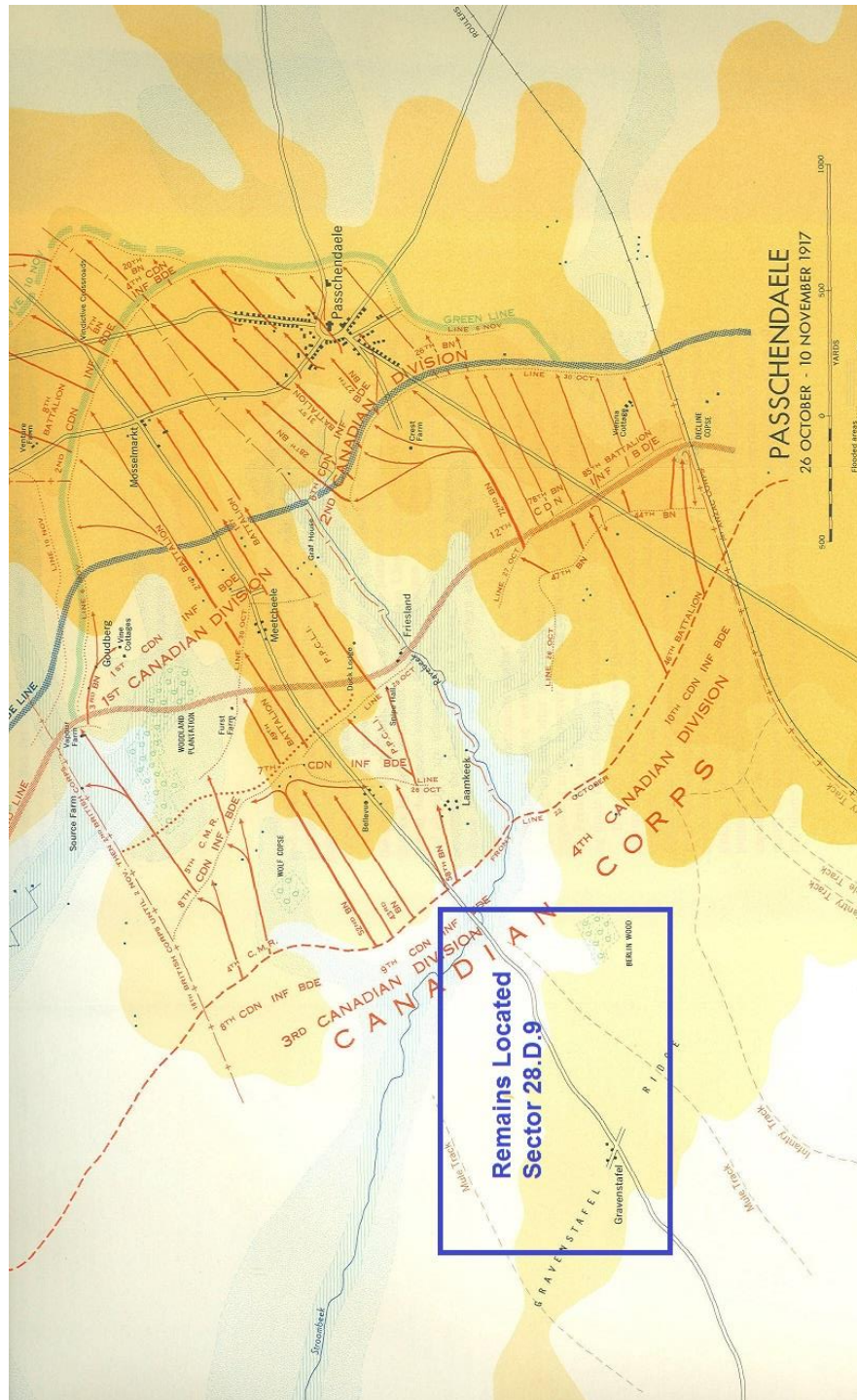
# ATTACHMENT #3e





## **ATTACHMENT #4**

Official History of the Canadian Army in the First World War. Canadian Expeditionary Force 1914-1919. Col. G. W. L. Nicholson. Queens Printer and Controller of Stationary. Ottawa Canada 1962. (Nicholson [Matrix Utility Digital Source](#) by the Canadian Expeditionary Force Study Group).









# ATTACHMENT #5

## 1<sup>st</sup> Motor Machine Gun Brigade 1-10-1917 to 15-11-1917:

Name	Rank	Service Number	Date of Death	Age	Regiment / Service	Service Country	Grave / Memorial Reference	Cemetery / Memorial Name	Docs.
BANKS, A	Private	45585	30/10/1917	31	Canadian Machine Gun Corps	Canadian	VIII. A. 19.	NINE ELMS BRITISH CEMETERY	
SUTTERBY, W A D	Private	337823	31/10/1917		Canadian Machine Gun Corps	Canadian	Panel 32.	YPRES (MENIN GATE) MEMORIAL	
JOHNSTON, A E	Corporal	795	30/10/1917		Canadian Machine Gun Corps	Canadian	Panel 32.	YPRES (MENIN GATE) MEMORIAL	
MERRITT, ARTHUR JAMES	Private	204704	30/10/1917	30	Canadian Machine Gun Corps	Canadian	Panel 32.	YPRES (MENIN GATE) MEMORIAL	
INGLIS, WILLIAM KENNETH	Private	240673	05/11/1917	19	Canadian Machine Gun Corps	Canadian	XXX. K. 3.	ETAPLES MILITARY CEMETERY	

## Eaton Motor Machine Gun Bty. 1-10-1917 to 15-11-1917:

Name	Rank	Service Number	Date of Death	Age	Regiment / Service	Service Country	Grave / Memorial Reference	Cemetery / Memorial Name	Docs.
SPENCE, R C	Private	910851	03/11/1917		Canadian Machine Gun Corps	Canadian	IX. B. 22.	NINE ELMS BRITISH CEMETERY	
RIGG, JOHN JAMES	Private	252857	31/10/1917	30	Canadian Machine Gun Corps	Canadian	XII. F. 10.	TYNE COT CEMETERY	
SHERIDAN, F P	Private	2803	31/10/1917		Canadian Machine Gun Corps	Canadian	XII. F. 6.	TYNE COT CEMETERY	
JOHNSON, JOHN THOMAS	Corporal	794	30/10/1917	23	Canadian Machine Gun Corps	Canadian	XII. F. 2.	TYNE COT CEMETERY	
BOFFIN, ALFRED SYDNEY	Private	12829	30/10/1917	24	Canadian Machine Gun Corps	Canadian	XII. D. 22.	TYNE COT CEMETERY	
WOODCOCK, FRANK FREMONT	Lieutenant		03/11/1917	31	Canadian Machine Gun Corps	Canadian	XVII. A. 9.	TYNE COT CEMETERY	



# ATTACHMENT #6

Surname	Forename	H&A	Death	Rank	Unit	#	Location	Other Information
JOHNSTON	ALBERT EDWARD	M M and Bar	30-10-17	Corporal	1st Motor Machine Gun Bde (Eaton), CMGC	'795'	28.D.16.b.75.45	Eaton Battery original
MERRITT	ARTHUR JAMES		30-10-17	Private	1st Motor Machine Gun Bde, CMGC	'204704'	28.D.17.a.5.2 near Tyne Cot	96th Bn. AP
McKENZIE	HUGH McDONALD	V C, D C M	30-10-17	Lieutenant	7th Coy CMGC	-	near Meetcheele Spur (28.D.5)	was 673 & 1158 on AP
SUTTERBY	WILLIAM ALOR DENISON		31-10-17	Private	1st Motor Machine Gun Bde, CMGC	'337823'	28.D.10.a.6.8 on E-13	67th Battery AP
HANSEL	LORNE EVERARD		31-10-17	Private	1st Motor Machine Gun Bde, CMGC	'796185'	28.D.10.a.6.8	was 133rd Bn.. 3rd Res. Bn. MG Pool
LAING	JOHN GORDON	M.I.D.	10-11-17	Lieutenant	2nd Coy CMGC	-	NRB	initially PPCLI 3rd Un. Coy. 475912 AP

Name	Rank	Service Number	Date of Death	Age	Regiment / Service	Service Country	Grave / Memorial Reference	Cemetery / Memorial Name	Docs.
HANSEL, LORNE EVERARD	Private	796185	31/10/1917	32	Canadian Machine Gun Corps	Canadian	Panel 32.	YPRES (MENIN GATE) MEMORIAL	

Name	Rank	Service Number	Date of Death	Age	Regiment / Service	Service Country	Grave / Memorial Reference	Cemetery / Memorial Name	Docs.
MAXWELL, W	Lance Corporal	823	03/11/1917	34	Canadian Machine Gun Corps	Canadian	XVII. A. 7.	TYNE COT CEMETERY	

# ATTACHMENT #7

Commonwealth War Graves Commission. Graves Registration Report Form.

<http://archive.cloud.cwgc.org/archive/doc/doc1833675.JPG>

**COMPREHENSIVE REPORT.**

Army Form W. 3372.

**GRAVES REGISTRATION REPORT FORM.**

D.A.D.G.R. & E. Central Sub-District.  
No. 5. District.

REPORT No. 51

SCHEDULE No 202/C

Commune **PO. SCHENDAELE.**

PLACE OF BURIAL **TYNE COT BRITISH CEMETERY.**  
Documents Certified Correct & Complete,

Map Reference **Sheet 28.D.17.a.00.25.**

The following are buried here:

Major,  
D.A.D.G.R. & E. Central Sub-District.  
No. 5. District.

D.A.D.G.R. & E. Central Sub-District. No. 5. District.		Name	Rank and Initials	Date of Death	Cross Erected or G.R. U.I.D.	Plot, Row and Grave
CENTRAL SUB-DIST.					<b>ALL CROSSES ERECTED</b>	
No. 5 DISTRICT						
Regiment	No.					
No.						
<b>PLOT 17. ROW "A"</b>						
<i>all rows in this plot numbered left to right.</i>						
2nd CTAGO Regt N.Z.E.F.	33059	TURNBULL	Pte. J.	12-10-17	6/348/6970	1 ✓
M.G.C. (147 Coy.)	99336	WILSON	Pte. G.	9-10-17	6/348/1500	2 ✓
2nd N.Z.	40280	MCARTNEY	Cpl. R.D.			3 ✓
N.Z.		UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER				4 ✓
N.Z.		-do-	-do-	-do-		5 ✓
K.R.R.C.		WOODS	2/Lt. R.H.	4/12/17		6 ✓
E.M.G.B. Canada.	823	MAXWELL	L/c. W.	3/11/17		7 ✓
N.Z.		UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER				8 ✓
E.M.G.B. Canada.		WOODCOCK	Lt. F.F.	3/11/17		9 ✓
		UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER				10 ✓
4th N.Z. MED. CRS.	3/2882	BALLANTYNE	Pte. D.A.	12/10/17	227/158/16031	11 ✓
-do-	3/3027	KERR	Pte. A.	-do-	227/158/16065	12 ✓
S. African.		UNKNOWN BRITISH SOLDIER				13 ✓
		-do-	-do-	-do-		14 ✓
		-do-	-do-	-do-		15 ✓
		-do-	-do-	-do-		16 ✓

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# ATTACHMENT #8

Commonwealth War Graves Commission. Concentration of Graves (Exhumations and Reburials) Burial Return. <http://archive.cloud.cwgc.org/archive/doc/doc2155431.JPG>

B486/28.  
CONCENTRATION OF GRAVES (EXHUMATION AND REBURIALS).  
18/6/28.  
BURIAL RETURN.  
TYNE COT. NOV. 19-19.

Plot	Row	Grave.	Map reference where body found.	Was cross on grave?	Regimental particulars.	Means of identification.	Were any effects forwarded to Page
17	A	10.	Sheet 28.N.E. D.9.d.50.70.	Yes.	U.B.S.     Eatons Cdn G.Fty. ✓	G.R.U. X.	- ✓
17	A	11	D.9.d.50.70.	Yes.	3/2882.Pte.Ballantyne. ✓ NZF.Amb. D.J.	Cross.Amb.	- ✓
17	A	12	D.9.d.50.70.	Yes.	3/3027.Pte.Kerr.J. ✓ N.Z.F.Amb.	Cross.	- ✓
17	C	1	D.19.b.70.30.	No.	U.B.S.     R.S.Fus. ✓	Humeral.	- ✓
17	C	2	D.19.c.20.20.	No.	16926.Cade.F. B.I.D. ✓	Cross.	Disc. ✓
17	C	3	D.19.c.20.20.	No.	12231.Sutherland. See H.D. ✓	Disc.	Disc. ✓
17	C	4	D.19.c.20.20.	No.	43227.Kelly.J.B. ✓ R.Innis.Fus.	Disc.	Disc. ✓
17	C	5	D.19.c.30.40.	No.	U.B.S. ✓		
17	C	6	D.19.c.70.30.	No.	U.B.S. ✓		
17	C	7	D.19.c.25.20.	No.	Williams.J. Unknown. ✓	Ground Sheet.	-

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# ATTACHMENT #9

Commonwealth War Graves Commission. Comprehensive Report of Headstone Inscriptions.

<http://archive.cloud.cwgc.org/archive/doc/doc1862770.JPG>

No. of Contract \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Address of Firm. \_\_\_\_\_

**Imperial War Graves Commission.**

COMPREHENSIVE REPORT (A) OF HEADSTONE INSCRIPTIONS  
to this report is attached  
COMPREHENSIVE REPORT (B) HEADSTONE TEXTS  
(those headstones to be inscribed with texts are underlined)  
and  
TWO STANDARD LAYOUTS (the layouts to be used are quoted on the badge design).

Schedule "A" Page 24

Name of Cemetery.  
TYNE COT CEM. "N"

To be stencilled on foot of  
headstones below ground level  
abbreviated thus:—  
TY, CT, C.

Badge Design No. and Layout No.	1st Line. Number and Rank.	2nd Line. Initials, NAME and Honours.	3rd Line. Regiment.	4th Line. Date of Death. <small>In any instance where the entry "NONE" appears in Col. 6, the Age will be omitted from the Headstone and the Date of Death centred laterally.</small>	Age.	Relig. Emb.	Centre of Stone.	To be stencilled on foot of Headstones below ground level. Plot P. Row R. Grave G. P. R. G.	No. of Stone
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	
					16 J 12 to			16 J 24	Ø
1203/2A ✓	23059 PRIVATE	J. TURNBULL	N.Z. OTAGO REGT.	12TH OCTOBER 1917	AGE 25	CROSS		17 A 1	1206
1185/1D ✓	99336 PRIVATE	G. WILSON	MACHINE GUN CORPS (INF.)	9TH OCTOBER 1917	AGE 22	CROSS		17 A 2	1207
1203/2A ✓	40230 PRIVATE	R.D. MC ARTEHY	N.Z. CANTERBURY REGT.	12TH OCTOBER 1917	AGE 23	CROSS		17 A 3	1208
1252/1T ✓ 1290/1	SECOND LIEUTENANT	R.H. WOODS	(For particulars of layout see Sched. G/H.) <del>Eaton Motor M.G. Coy</del> <del>Can. Machine Gun Corps</del>					17 A 4 &	Ø
1202/1A ✓	823 LANCE CPL.	W. MAXWELL	<del>Eaton Motor M.G. Coy</del> <del>Can. Machine Gun Corps</del>	3RD NOVEMBER 1917	NONE	CROSS		17 A 5	Ø
1202/1B ✓	LIEUTENANT	F.F. WOODCOCK	<del>Eaton Motor M.G. Coy</del> <del>Can. Machine Gun Corps</del>	3RD NOVEMBER 1917	AGE 31	CROSS		17 A 6	1209/11
								17 A 7	1210
								17 A 8	Ø
1203/2A ✓	3/2682 PRIVATE	D.I. BALLANTYNE	N.Z. MEDICAL CORPS	12TH OCTOBER 1917	AGE 29	CROSS		17 A 9	1211
1203/2A ✓	3/3027 PRIVATE	A. KERR	N.Z. MEDICAL CORPS	12TH OCTOBER 1917	NONE	CROSS		17 A 10	Ø
								17 A 11	1212
								17 A 12	1213
LAYOUT 1H ✓	UNKNOWN IRISH SOLDIER		(FOR PARTICULARS OF LAYOUT INSC. ETC. SEE SCHED. G/H.)					17 A 13 to	Ø
								17 A 14	1214
								17 A 15 to	Ø
								17 A 16 to	Ø
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\*These headstones are not to be executed until further orders.

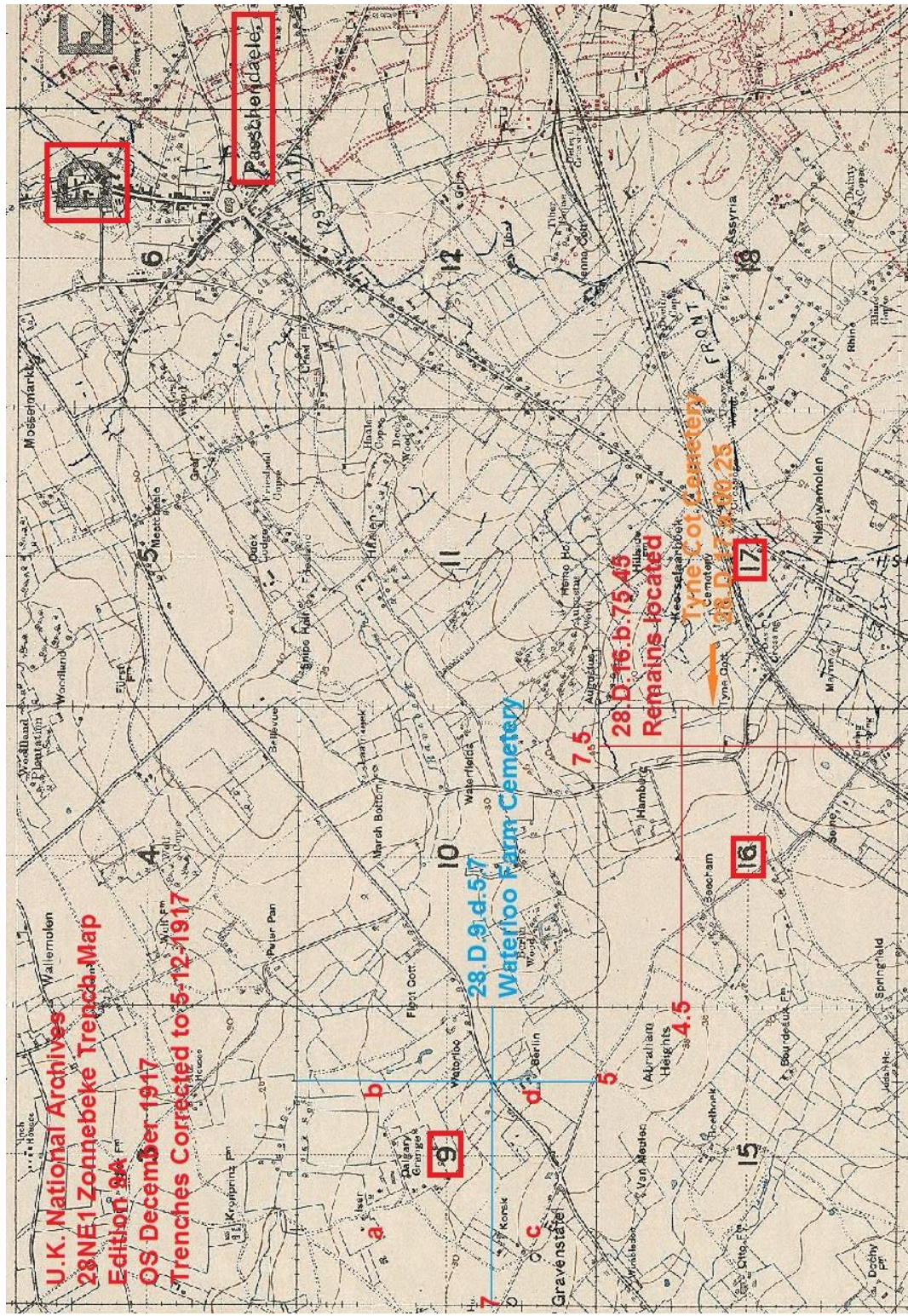
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# ATTACHMENT #10

The National Archives British Trench Map Atlas. Zonnebekd Edition 9A Map wo297\_0721  
Trenches Corrected 05/12/1917. Naval and Military Press, Uckfield, West Sussex, United Kingdom.





# ATTACHMENT #11

Ypres (Menin Gate) Memorial. Canadian Machine Gun Corps

SERGEANT	HARDIMENT S. F.
BLAKEWAY F. J.	HARE E. V.
BOTSFORD C. A.	HARRIS S.
	HAUGEN A.
HOWARD H. M.M.	HAYWOOD J. R.
ROBERTSON W. D.C.M.	HEALEY M.
	HENDERSON R. C.
CORPORAL	HENRY T. G.
BOLTON W. E.	HICKMAN R. O.
CAREY F.	HIGH A.
HATHAWAY H.	HILL E. J.
JOHNSTON A. E. M.M.	HIRD T. J.
MACDONALD J.	HOBAN T. P.
THORNE A. H.	HOUGH J. N.
	HUNT J. M.
LANCE CORPORAL	HUTCHINGS W. J.
FLETCHER H. H.	HUTCHINSON A. W.
KELLY T. J. M.M.	JENSEN L. P.
MACKAY A.	JOHNSON R. J.
MACMILLAN E. E.	JOHNSON W. B.
	JOHNSTONE R.
PRIVATE	JORDAIN W. A.
ADAMS G. C.	JORDAN A.
ANDERSON P. M.M.	KEE W.
BAKER W. R.	KENSETT A. H.
BARRY H.	KNOTT A. F.
BATTS A.	LAIDLAW P. M.
BELL A. D.	LAMB F.
BELSHAW T. G.	LENZ W. F.
BEYER A. F.	LEVIE H.
BISHOP P.	LUCAS G.
BLAKE G.	MCCBRIDE P. B.
BOON R. D.	MCCCLINTOCK J.
BURNETT A. W.	MCCOACH G.
BUTLER T.	MCGLONE T.
BUTTERFIELD T. A.	MCGREGOR C. A.
CADDELL T. H.	McKELVIE S. T.



## **ATTACHMENT #12**

This “*Reporting and Review*” attachment is provided to assist all parties in the submission of an investigative report related to the identification of the burial location, or headstone markings, of a member of the Canadian Expeditionary Force (CEF) during the Great War 1914-1921. The Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC) receives a copy of this report in the event they wish to make changes to the commemoration details. In order to alter the records, the CWGC has set out their criteria for the procedure and submission of cases for review, as detailed below. The CWGC is under no obligation to make changes based on a report.

<b>Procedure:</b>	<b>Guideline Criteria for Submission:</b>
All new identification cases need to be assessed in the first instance by the Canadian Agency (CA) and submissions should go to their office directly. After an initial assessment, if the Agency feels that the case is compelling, they will then pass all the documentation to the Commemorations Team at the Commission's Head Office. Head Office will then review the case and inform the CA of their findings. The Canadian authorities will then decide whether or not any changes to the arrangements for commemoration are required and inform the Commission accordingly.	Cases need to present clear and convincing evidence to prove the identity of a casualty and must not be based on assumption or speculation. The Commission's Commemoration Team will also consider whether the findings of a better informed contemporary investigation are being revisited and if there is any new evidence to consider. By way of example, it is unlikely that the Commission would support a revision of the arrangements for the commemoration where it is apparent that no new evidence is being presented and, a better informed previous decision is being revisited some 100 years later.

The following have participated in the preparation, review and submission of this report on a voluntary basis. Those noted below have read the investigative report and compared it to the criteria set out by the CWGC, as a guiding principle, and have agreed to have their name included as part of the review team. The CWGC may contact any of the reviewers at the e-mail address provided below.

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